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SUBJ: SPAIN AND NATO: INVITING SPAIN TO ALLIED MANEUVERS

REFS: (A) NATO 7721; (B) STATE 183838

1. PARA 2, REF A NOTED THAT THE DANISH POLAD SAID THAT HIS
AUTHORITIES "INTEND TO INVITE ONE OR TWO OBSERVERS TO 'ARROW
EXPRESS' FROM NORWAY, FRG, U.S. POLAND, USSR, RUMANIA, SWEDEN,
YUGOSLAVIA AND AUSTRIA". "ARROW EXPRESS 77" IS SCHEDULED TO
TAKE PLACE SEPTEMBER 7-30.

2. INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REF A NOTED ABOVE DIFFERS FROM
WHAT THE DANES HAVE TOLD US HERE. OUR INFORMATION, HOWEVER,
WAS CONTAINED IN A 5 APRIL '77 LETTER FROM THE DANISH DEFENSE
MINISTRY WHICH STATED THAT "ACCREDITED MILIARY, NAVAL AND
AIR ATTACHES FROM NATO COUNTRIES REPEAT FROM NATO COUNTRIES"
WOULD BE INVITED TO ATTEND PART OF THE EXERCISE SEPTEMBER 19-20.

3. REF B REQUEST SUGGESTIONS

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WHICH THE SPANISH MIGHT BE INVITED DURINR THE FALL EXERCISE
SEASON. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE MAIN NATO CONTRIBUTOR OTHER
THAN DENMARK TO THIS AMF EXERCISE IS THE APPROXIMATE BRIRADE
FROM THE U.S.

4. IF THE DEPARTMENT AND USNATO CONCUR, THE LATTER MIGHT WISH
TO CONSULT WITH THE BRITISH IN PARTICULAR TO DECIDE WHETHER

IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE
TO RAISE THE QUESTION OF A SPANISH
INVITATION TO "ARROW IMPRESS" WITH THE DANES. ALL OF THE RE-
PORTED INVITEES MENTIONED
IN REF A HAVE MILITARY ATTACHES
ACCREDITED TO DENMARK. SPAIN DOES NOT, HOWEVER, AND THIS
MIGHT CAUSE SOME DIFFICULTIES.

5. WHATEVER IS DECIDED VIS-A-VIS REGARDING SPAIN AND "ARROW
IMPRESSION IT WOULD APPEAR FROM HERE THAT INCREASING SPANISH
IDENTIFICATION WITH NATO, AS FAR AS DENMARK IS CONCERNED,
WOULD BE FACILITATED IF THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT WOULD UNDER-
TAKE TO ESTABLISH SUCH AN ACCREDITATION.
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